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To: Members of the staff

From: The Director of Personnel

Subject: UNITED NATIONS STAFF RELIEF COMMITTEE FOR THE VICTIMS OF THE EARTHQUAKE IN INDIA

1. The disastrous earthquake which hit the central-western province of India has left thousands of people dead. Several villages have been wiped out. A large number of people have been severely injured and rendered homeless. According to news reports, the cost of immediate relief and rehabilitation will run into hundreds of millions of dollars.

2. With the approval of the Secretary-General, the United Nations staff at Headquarters have formed the United Nations Staff Relief Committee for the victims of the Earthquake in India in order to organize a collection drive to assist those affected. Mr. N. Kakar (United Nations Development Programme) is Chairperson of the Committee, with Mr. V. Krishnan (United Nations) as Secretary and Ms. C. Sultan (United Nations Children's Fund) as Treasurer. The Staff Council of the United Nations has given its endorsement for the appeal drive.

3. On Friday, 15 October 1993, contributions in cash will be collected by authorized staff members on behalf of the Committee. All proceeds will be donated through an appropriate relief agency.

4. Contributions may also be made by cheque payable to the "United Nations Staff Relief Committee for India" and addressed to the Treasurer, Ms. C. Sultan, room DH-48C.

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